IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace paragraph 0035 (the middle paragraph on p. 12) with the following corrected paragraph:

[0035] The prosthetic of this invention finds application in a number [[or]] of surgical procedures including the repair of hernias, anatomical defects of the abdominal wall, diaphragm, and chest wall, correction of defects in the genitourinary system, repair of traumatically damaged organs such as the spleen, liver or kidney, etc.